# MINUTES OF CALHOUN COUNTY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING December 13, 2021 5:30 P.M.

Calhoun County Council held its regular meeting on Monday, December 13, 2021. The meeting was live-streamed on the County's Facebook page.

The following were present:

Chairman David K. Summers, Jr., who presided

Vice-Chairman James E. Haigler

Councilman John Nelson

Councilman Cecil Thornton

Councilman Ken Westbury

Administrator John McLauchlin

Clerk to Council Vickie Stoudemire

Newly appointed Clerk to Council Shayla Jenkins

The following press was notified of the meeting by mail, electronic mail, or by fax in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act: <u>The Calhoun Times</u>, <u>The Times and Democrat</u>, and <u>Sandy Run News</u>. An Agenda was also posted on Calhoun County's website <u>calhouncounty.sc.gov</u>.

#### Call to Order

Chairman Summers called the meeting to order.

### Invocation

Invocation was offered by Councilman John Nelson.

Public Hearing: Chairman Summers opened the public hearing on the following: Ordinance 2021-21 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING (1) THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A FEE IN LIEY OF TAX AND INCENTIVE AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN CALHOUN COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA (THE "COUNTY"), AND TRICOUNTY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC., ACTING FOR ITSELF, ONE OR MORE AFFILIATES, AND/OR OTHER PROJECT SPONSORS (COLLECTIVELY, THE "COMPANY"), PURSUANT TO WHICH THE COUNTY SHALL COVENANT TO ACCEPT CERTAIN NEGOTIATED FEES IN LIEU OF AD VALOREM TAXES WITH RESPECT TO THE ESTABLISHMENT AND/OR EXPANSION OF CERTAIN FACILITIES IN THE COUNTY (THE "PROJECT"); AND (2) OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO. There were no questions or comments and the hearing was closed.

## Third Reading of Ordinance 2021-21

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING (1) THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A FEE IN LIEY OF TAX AND INCENTIVE AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN CALHOUN COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA (THE "COUNTY"), AND TRI-COUNTY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC., ACTING FOR ITSELF, ONE OR MORE AFFILIATES, AND/OR OTHER PROJECT SPONSORS (COLLECTIVELY, THE "COMPANY"), PURSUANT TO

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WHICH THE COUNTY SHALL COVENANT TO ACCEPT CERTAIN NEGOTIATED FEES IN LIEU OF AD VALOREM TAXES WITH RESPECT TO THE ESTABLISHMENT AND/OR EXPANSION OF CERTAIN FACILITIES IN THE COUNTY (THE "PROJECT"); AND (2) OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO.

Councilman Westbury mad a motion to pass Third Reading of Ordinance 2021-21. Councilman Nelson seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

## **Approval of Minutes**

Minutes of the November 8, 2021 regular meeting were presented for approval. Motion was made by Councilman Haigler and seconded by Councilman Thornton to approve the minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

## **Committee Reports**

Recreation Committee – Community Development Director, Tyrone Dantzler, was unable to attend, and will present on another date.

## **Appointments**

None

### **Proclamations**

A Proclamation was presented Honoring Dr. Steve Wilson, Superintendent of Calhoun County Public Schools.

# Appearances

None

## Resolutions

- 1. Resolution 24-2021 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ENLARGEMENT OF THE BOUNDARIES OF THE JOINT COUNTY INDUSTRIAL AND BUSINESS PART ESTABLISED BY THAT CERTAIN AGREEMENT FOR DEVELOPMENT OF JOINT COUNTY INDUSTRIAL PARK BY AND BETWEEN CALHOUN COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA (THE "COUNTY") AND LEXINGTON COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA ("LEXINGTON COUNTY"), DATED AS OF DECEMBER 11, 1995, AS AMENDED, SUCH ENLARGEMENT AFFECTING THAT PORTION OF THE PARK GEOGRAPHICALLY LOCATED IN CALHOUN COUNTY; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THRERETO
  - Councilman Thornton made a motion to pass Resolution 24-2021. Councilman Westbury seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
- 2. Resolution 25-2021 AUTHORIZING THE ASSIGNMENT BY ZEUS INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS, INC. OF THE 2018 FEE IN-LIEU-OF AD VALOREM TAXES AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN ZEUS INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS, INC. AND CALHOUN COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA TO ZEUS COMPANY INC.; THE ADDITIONO OF ZEUS COMPANY INC. AS A SPONSOR AFFILIATE TO SUCH FEE IN-LIEU-OF TAXES AGREEMENT; THE ASSIGNMENT OF THE 2018

SPECIAL SOURCE REVENUE CREDIT AGREEMENT; AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS.

Councilman Nelson made a motion of pass Resolution 25-2021. Councilman Haigler seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

3. Resolution 26-2021 APPROVING THE CRITERIA BY WHICH TO REDISTRICT THE CALHOUN COUNTY COUNCIL DISTRICTS

Councilman Haigler made a motion to pass Resolution 26-2021. Councilman Westbury seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

### **Old Business**

Medical Transport Insurance for Volunteer Firefighters – Council heard a presentation from Joe Lemmons, Jeff Price and Christian Wolfe concerning Medical Transport Insurance for Volunteer Firefighters. Council took the information under advisement and will follow up at a later meeting.

#### **New Business**

Chairman Summers announced that the second meeting in December would be on Monday, December 27, 2021, during the holiday closing. Councilman Westbury made a motion to cancel the December 27, 2021 meeting. Councilman Nelson seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

### **Ordinances**

1. **Ordinance 2021-22** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2021-20 TO EXPAND THE AUTHORIZATION OF THE CALHOUN COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION TO EXECUTE DOCUMENTS FOR THE SALE OF CERTAIN PROPERTIES was presented for **First Reading**. Councilman Westbury made a motion to pass First Reading of Ordinance 2021-22. Councilman Thornton seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

## Administrator

- 1. New Hires Administrator McLauchlin recognized new employees (Copy Attached).
- 2. County Penny Sales Tax Project Update Marc Briggman updated Council on the progress of the projects funded with the Penny Tax.

### **Executive Session**

Councilman Nelson made a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss the following Economic Development Matters:

- a) Lake Marion Regional Water System
- b) Sandy Run Industrial Park
- c) Project Honey Hole
- d) McCord's Ferry
- e) Norfolk Southern Railroad Cut

Councilman Thornton seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Council returned to open session having taken no action in Executive Session.

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Adjournment

Councilman Thornton made a motion to adjourn with Councilman Westbury seconding. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

David K. Summers, Jr., Chairman

Shayla C. Ol nkin Shayla C. Jenkins, Clerk to Council